GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2813
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AMENDMENT TO JUVENILE JUSTICE ACT
Dubey Shri Nishikant

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has directed the Government to amend the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000 and the Rules thereunder with special reference to redefine the age of juveniles especially those involved in heinous crimes to carry out trials against them as adults under the Indian Penal Code;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) the time by which the said Act is likely to be amended;

(d) whether the Government has sought suggestions from various States/UTs and other experts in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA TIRATH)

(a) to (e): No, Madam. The Supreme Court has not directed the Government to amend the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000 and the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Rules, 2007 with special reference to redefine the age of juveniles especially those involved in heinous crimes. The Government is however, seized with the issue.